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Director's Meeting

Wednesday, 12 December 1951

PRESENT: Messrs. Dulles, Wolf, Wisner, [redacted] Becker.

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Brief reference was made to the China paper and Mr. Dulles indicated that he would phone Mr. Allison or Mr. Rusk of State Department respecting it.

Mr. Wisner reported that [redacted] would be in at 3 p.m. Friday and it was thought advisable to call his attention also to this China paper.

In connection with the foregoing, [redacted] reported on the very excellent work that [redacted] had performed in connection with forestalling the Taylor suit respecting CAT.

Mr. Wisner reported that he was pushing [redacted] so that the U.S. at the UN Assembly could give a resounding answer to the Russian statement on American use of defectors, etc.

Mr. Dulles requested Mr. Becker to see that a copy of the Reston article on psychological warfare which appeared in last Sunday's TIMES was made available to the DCI. Mr. Becker passed on this request to Col. Hansen.

Mr. Wolf reported that CIA's military personnel requirements had been approved.

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[redacted] requested that arrangements be made for him to meet [redacted] when he came to Washington in the middle of December and Mr. Wisner undertook to make arrangements for this.

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Mr. Wisner reported that one John Mitchell had been appointed General Counsel for a House of Representatives committee investigating the Katyn Massacre and that there would undoubtedly be some repercussions, since Mitchell was very much inclined to ask CIA to do a lot of work in connection with this. Mr. Wisner had arranged to see Mitchell with Col. Hansen and it was hoped that his unreasonable requests could be turned down without causing any resentment.

Mr. Wisner stated that [redacted] would be in at 10:25 to brief the DCI respecting his appointment with representatives of the American Legion. Mr. Becker undertook to see that the DCI was informed. This was done immediately following the meeting.

There was a brief discussion of various items in the Log, as follows:

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3. In connection with a discussion of the situation in Iran, it was mentioned that one [redacted] might be of use and Mr. Dulles undertook to call this to the attention of State.

Mr. Dulles reported briefly on the Steering Committee discussion of the NSC Middle East paper and stated that its weakest point was that it was focused on the Middle East Command, the success of which was conjectural.

Mr. Dulles noted that he had received a paper from Gen. Magruder with respect to the exploitation of persons escaping from Soviet areas. After some discussion, it was felt that formal action on this paper might be deferred until CIA had had a chance to review its present projects with PSB.

Mr. Dulles also noted that the NSC Senior Staff had approved the paper on evacuation of key indigenous personnel and Mr. Wisner stated that this paper was satisfactory from the point of view of CIA's commitments therein, which, it was noted, were limited, most of the work having been done.

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Mr. Wisner stated that he thought that [redacted] paper with respect to Egypt was an excellent one and he requested Mr. Dulles and Mr. Becker to look at it. [redacted] inquired briefly as to

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Mr. Becker reported to Mr. Dulles that the ODM request for CIA's Weekly Summary had been discussed with Mr. Mitchell of ODM and that Mr. Mitchell had indicated that he would drop the request. This request apparently was instigated [redacted] and was based more on curiosity than on any real need to know for intelligence purposes.

Mr. Becker reported to Mr. Dulles respecting the change made in the NSC paper on Korea at yesterday's Senior Staff meeting, pursuant to request by Adm. Wooldridge.

Mr. Becker informed Mr. Dulles that he would probably have to chair the IAC meeting this week before which would come a paper relating to the dissemination of national intelligence [redacted]. It was felt that this would be an appropriate time to announce informally to IAC members that CIA proposed to request an amendment of NSCID #1, so as to have express authorization for the dissemination of national intelligence to foreign countries on a restricted basis.

Mr. Becker reported briefly respecting a visit to the State Department's Executive Secretariat and indicated that they were far in advance of ourselves in having available memoranda by senior officials, including the Secretary, relating to phone conversations and significant talks with individuals. There was a brief discussion of this general subject and what might be done in this office.

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